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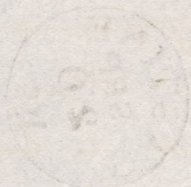
Rev. Mr. Hooker
Easton Sept 19.
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Wishing you all the success in your
work which its merits demand.

I am Yours truly
Wm. L. Garrison
Rev. A. A. Phelps

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aid the cause you advocate to the extent of my ability. Last year I preached upon the subject of Slavery, favoring the Colonization Scheme, & we raised a subscription of a little more than \$40. to that Society. This year nothing has been raised for it because I have not preached upon it nor joined it. Still the people here are generally attached to that cause probably, & some of them very strongly. Since I was at Bangor & giving notice of your lecture here, however, I have conversed with several, & I find some, who might easily be made thorough converts. A very general desire was manifested to hear your lecture & very many are disappointed not a little.

I think if you could visit us & give one or more lectures you would break the ice, & open the way, so that I should be able to secure a strong influence in favor of the cause. Can you not tarry in here next week? I feel very anxious to have you even if consistent.

But if you cannot I will do all in my power, consistent with other duties, for the object. The cause is of God & must prevail. Confident I am, Alarms will come up to this cause of humanity, this cause of Negroes, to do her full share of spreading the truth, & the work of redemption.

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Christian Friday Eve. Sept. 19, 1834

Br. Phelps.

I have been looking all day for the fog to clear away & the wind to rise so that you could bathe here this evening. But we must yield to Providence. But I regret exceedingly that you could not get here both on my own account as an individual, & on account of the interests of your cause here. Since I "watched" with you & others at Bangor upon this subject I have felt embarrassed for feeling & saying & doing so little for a cause which I now see to be so righteous. I wonder that my views have not been more correct & thorough upon this great subject. Since last winter my feelings have favored your cause, but I have wanted more ^{definite} information, & I have shrunk from the thought of endorsing all the ^{various} measures of leading abolitionists. But since that conversation at Bangor I feel myself, in views & feelings & future efforts committed & confirmed as an Anti-Slavery man in the popular & distinguishing use of the term. Hereafter I shall hold myself in readiness to